The Honorable Richard A. Jones

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

ZENWORK, INC. f/k/a TECHATLANTIS, INC.,

Plaintiff,

 $\mathbf{v}_{\cdot}$ 

AVALARA, INC.,

Defendant.

AVALARA, INC.,

Counterclaim Plaintiff,

V.

 ZENWORK, INC. f/k/a TECHATLANTIS, INC. d/b/a EXAKTO.COM; 1099ONLINE.COM, TAX1099.COM; EZ2290; EZIFTA; EZEXTENSION; and FBARONLINE,

Counterclaim Defendants.

NO. 2:16-cv-01325-RAJ

DECLARATION OF TIMOTHY
TEETER IN SUPPORT OF MOTION
FOR ORDER OF POSSESSION OR IN
THE ALTERNATIVE PRELIMINARY
INJUNCTION

TEETER DECLARATION - 1 No. 2:16-cv-01325-RAJ GORDON TILDEN THOMAS & CORDELL LLP 1001 Fourth Avenue, Suite 4000 Seattle, WA 98154 Phone (206) 467-6477 Fax (206) 467-6292 I, Timothy Teeter, declare as follows:

- 1. I am Director of Business Development for Avalara. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth below and am competent to testify.
- 2. TechAtlantis contends that at the time it entered into the Reseller Agreement with Avalara it was unaware that H & R Block ("HRB") would be a customer of Avalara1099. I know that to be false. I was involved in the negotiations between Avalara and TechAtlantis and the negotiations with HRB. Both Avalara and Tech Atlantis understood that HRB was a customer of Avalara1099 before the Reseller Agreement was finalized and executed on November 24, 2014. Attached as Exhibit A is a true and correct copy of an email exchange between me and Ed Pratt, Vice President of TechAtlantis, specifically discussing HRB as a potential client of Avalara1099. It is dated November 18, 2014.
- 3. Further, while Tech Atlantis suggests that it did not expect HRB to be a client of Avalara1099, in fact Mr. Pratt was deeply involved in the discussions in 2015 leading up to HRB signing on as a customer. As part of that deal Tech Atlantis and HRB signed a Non-Disclosure Agreement, and Tech Atlantis even completed portions of the HRB Request for Proposal. Avalara would not have proceeded with the HRB deal unless it was assured that Tech Atlantis was able and willing to perform its obligations with HRB as a customer.
- 4. Attached as Exhibit B is a true and correct copy of an email from Ed Pratt to me dated June 2, 2016 in which he promises that Tech Atlantis will provide all PDF forms for H & R Block, to Avalara and H & R Block directly.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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 Dated January 6, 2017

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Timothy Teeter

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on January 6, 2017, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of such filing to the following:

Michelle Peterson Michelle Peterson Law, PLLC 1420 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2200 Seattle, WA 98101 michelle@michellepetersonlaw.com

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DATED this 6th day of January, 2017.

s/ Jeffrey M. Thomas
Jeffrey M. Thomas, WSBA #21175

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Exhibit A

## **Cathy Swanson**

From:

Ed -TechAtlantis <ed@techatlantis.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, November 18, 2014 1:20 PM

To:

Tim Teeter

Subject:

Re: Downloading multiple 1099 forms

Yes, we have that somewhere in the pipeline as well. Had that feedback last year that clients want the option to do it in one file versus zip file.

**Ed Pratt** 

Vice President of Business Development

TechAtlantis, Inc

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On Tue, Nov 18, 2014 at 2:59 PM, Tim Teeter < tim.teeter@avalara.com > wrote:

Thanks Ed – HRBlock's desire would be to have the option have one big .pdf file since they want to use their own mailing house do the mailing. Easier for them to send it to their printer.

From: Ed -TechAtlantis [mailto:ed@techatlantis.com]

Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2014 12:51 PM

To: Tim Teeter

Subject: Re: Downloading multiple 1099 forms

Right now it's a zip file with individual 1099s, each with the recipient's name as part of the file name.

Ed Pratt

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On Tue, Nov 18, 2014 at 2:47 PM, Tim Teeter < tim.teeter@avalara.com > wrote:

Ed – one question that came up, we you download multiple 1099 forms, do you get a file with all of the 1099s in one .pdf file or are you getting individual 1099s .pdf copies?

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**Avalara** 

Exhibit B

From: Ed -TechAtlantis [mailto:ed@techatlantis.com]

Sent: Thursday, June 2, 2016 9:44 AM

To: Tim Teeter < tim.teeter@Avalara.com>

Cc: Ray Bigley < ray.bigley@Avalara.com >; Michael Hackett < michael.hackett@avalara.com >

Subject: Re: HRB Data and a TCC Question

Hi Tim,

Going to respond in bullets and hope I don't miss anything.

- 94x forms annual are due 1/31 and quarterly are due the last day of the month after the quarter ends. March was due 4/30 and June is due 7/31.
- I believe filing was turned off 5/16 but will confirm. Anything that was filed prior to that is processed for E-file/mail.
- Can you tell me the customer with "stuck" 1099s? We have several TCC numbers and there is no case on our side requesting the information for any specific client.
- SSA accepted the pending W2s yesterday. April emailed me and I replied, didn't realize you were not copied on it.
- We will provide the Excel file and/or pdf copies that HRB needs and can send those directly to them through their sftp. We will provide the same to Avalara as part of the wind down process.

Thanks,

**Ed Pratt** 

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